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Interstate Common Line Support and Long Term Support

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Interstate Common Line Support and Long Term Support - ICLS

Annual Certification Filing

Ellerbe Telephone Company _____ will use its Interstate Common Line This is to certify that Support and Long Term Support - ICLS only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and service for which the support is intended.

I am authorized to make this certification on behalf of the company named above. This certification is for the study area(s) listed below. (Please enter your Company Name, State, and Study Area Code)

Company Name	State	Study Area Code
Ellerbe Telephone Company	NC	230478

(If necessary, attach a separate list of additional study areas and check this box.)

[Signature of Authorized Representative]

June 5, 2003

Dan M. Bennett

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Carrier's Name:

Ellerbe Telephone Company

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